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Francoise LECLERC et al.		) Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned
Serial No.: To Be Assigned		) Examiner: To Be Assigned
Filed: February 16, 2001		)
For:	PROCESS FOR PREPARING FUNCTIONALIZED POLYALKYLENEIMINES, COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM AND USES THEREOF	) ) ) )
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following before the first sentence:

-- This application claims the benefit of French Patent Application No. 0002059, filed February 18, 2000, and of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/203907, filed May 12, 2000, which are hereby incorporated herein by reference.--

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-22 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein and add claims 23-42 as follows:

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